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Brainstorming Guide**

RISKS

ASSUMPTIONS

ISSUES

DEPENDENCIES

RAID

Instructions:

During your RAID brainstorming session, present each set of questions to the team.

Record responses and insights for each category.

RISKS

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| 1 | What are the worst-case scenarios for this project? |  |
| 2 | Which external factors, such as regulatory changes or market shifts, could negatively affect our project? |  |
| 3 | Are there any technical challenges or limitations that could hinder our progress? |  |
| 4 | What are the financial implications if certain stages of the project get delayed? |  |
| 5 | How might team dynamics or changes in team composition impact the project? |  |
| 6 | Are there any competitors or industry trends we should be wary of? |  |
| 7 | How might our project be affected if there are disruptions to our supply chain or vendor services? |  |

Additional Industry-Specific Questions / Notes

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ASSUMPTIONS

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| 1 | What are the foundational beliefs we are basing our project decisions on? |  |
| 2 | Are we assuming that our resources will remain consistent throughout the project? |  |
| 3 | What market or user behavior assumptions are we making? |  |
| 4 | Are there any technological or tool-based assumptions we’re relying on? |  |
| 5 | Are we assuming that our current understanding of the project's scope and requirements won't change? |  |

Additional Industry-Specific Questions / Notes

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ISSUES

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| 1 | What current challenges or roadblocks are we facing in the project? |  |
| 2 | Are there any internal disputes or disagreements that need resolution? |  |
| 3 | Have there been any recent changes in stakeholder expectations or feedback? |  |
| 4 | Are there gaps in our current skill sets or capabilities that are causing delays or inefficiencies? |  |
| 5 | Are we facing challenges in communication or collaboration among teams? |  |
| 6 | Have there been any unexpected cost overruns or budgetary concerns? |  |
| 7 | Are we meeting our projected milestones and timelines? |  |

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DEPENDENCIES

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| 1 | Which tasks or milestones rely on the completion of prior ones? |  |
| 2 | Are there external vendors or teams we are dependent on? How might delays on their end affect us? |  |
| 3 | Are there any licenses, permissions, or regulatory approvals we’re waiting on? |  |
| 4 | What tools or platforms are essential for various stages, and how do they depend on each other? |  |
| 5 | Are there any team members or roles that multiple tasks hinge upon? |  |
| 6 | How might changes in project priorities or scope affect existing dependencies? |  |

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